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II. - A Cyclic Additivity Theorem of the Lebesgue Area. (**)

Introduction.

This paper is the second in a series of three papers, and deals with a cyclic additivity theorem of the LEBESGUE area, i.e., the theory developed in [3], will now be applied to the LEBESGUE area. In order to simplify references, the paper [3] will be referred to with the Roman numeral I followed, if necessary, by an Arabic numeral indicating the specific paragraph in I.

In his recent book, L. CESARI [1] introduced the concept of an admissible set A in E_2 , where E_2 is the Euclidean plane. For the present it suffices to observe that such an admissible set need not be a PEANO space in E_2 . For (T, A) a continuous mapping from an admissible set $A \subset E_2$ into the Euclidean three space E_3 , L. CESARI has defined the LEBESGUE area $L(T, A)$ of (T, A) (see [1; 5.8]).

If A is a simply connected JORDAN region in E_2 , and if $(T, A) = sf$, $f: A \rightarrow \mathcal{O}\mathcal{C}$, $s: \mathcal{O}\mathcal{C} \rightarrow E_3$ is an unrestricted factorization of (T, A) in the sense of E. J. MICKLE and T. RADÓ [2], then from [2] the following cyclic additivity formula for $L(T, A)$ is available

$$(1) \quad L(T, A) = \sum L(s r_C f, A), \quad C \subset \mathcal{O}\mathcal{C},$$

where r_C is the monotone retraction from $\mathcal{O}\mathcal{C}$ onto a proper cyclic element C of $\mathcal{O}\mathcal{C}$.

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If an admissible set A is not a PEANO space in E_2 , then a formula similar to (1) can be established by using the concept of an unrestricted factorization of (T, A) as introduced in I.9, i.e., $(T, A) = sf$, $f: A \rightarrow \mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}^*$, $s: \mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}^* \rightarrow E_2$, $\mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}^* \subset \mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}$. The main result of this paper will be

$$(2) \quad L(T, A) = \sum L(sr_C f, G_C), \quad C \in \mathfrak{K},$$

where r_C is the monotone retraction from $\mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}$ onto a proper cyclic element C of $\mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}$, where \mathfrak{K} is the class of proper cyclic elements associated with $(T, A) = sf$, and where G_C is the set associated with $C \in \mathfrak{K}$. For the above terminology the reader is referred to I.12. In order to establish (2) it will be sufficient to verify that $L(T, A)$ satisfies the conditions of I.8, with the collection of PEANO spaces P replaced by the collection of all finitely connected polygonal regions in E_2 .

A Cyclic Additivity Theorem.

II.1. - A subset A of the Euclidean plane E_2 will be termed *admissible* provided one of the following cases holds. (a) A is a simply connected JORDAN region; (b) A is a finitely connected JORDAN region; (c) A is a finite union of disjoint regions of the type (a) or (b); (d) A is any open set in E_2 ; (e) A is any set open in a set of the type (a), (b), or (c). In particular A may be a *figure F* , i.e., a finite union of disjoint finitely connected polygonal regions. The reader is referred to [I; 5.1].

II.2. - In this paragraph we will give some definitions and those properties of the LEBESGUE area which are needed in the sequel.

(i) Given two continuous mappings (T, A) , (T', A') from admissible sets A, A' into E_2 and $A \cap A' \neq \emptyset$. For H a non-empty subset of $A \cap A'$, the number $d = d(T, T', H) = \text{l.u.b.}_{w \in H} |T(w) - T'(w)|$, satisfies the following properties: (a) $0 \leq d \leq \infty$; (b) $d(T, T', H) = d(T', T, H)$; (c) for any (T_i, A_i) ($i = 1, 2, 3$) and $0 \neq H = A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3$, we have $d(T_1, T_3, H) \leq d(T_1, T_2, H) + d(T_2, T_3, H)$ (L. CESARI [I; 5.3]).

(ii) A sequence of continuous mappings (T_n, A_n) ($n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$) is said to converge to a continuous mapping (T, A) , written $(T_n, A_n) \rightarrow (T, A)$ or simply $T_n \rightarrow T$, provided (a) $\{A_n\}$ is a sequence of admissible sets *invading* A , i.e., $A_n \subset A_{n+1} \subset A$, $A_n^0 \uparrow A^0$, where an upper 0 denotes the interior of a set; (b) $d(T, T_n, A_n) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ (L. CESARI [I; 5.3]).

(iii) If $A = F$ is a figure, then a continuous mapping (T, F) is called *quasi-linear* in F provided there is a finite subdivision S of F into triangles on each of which T is linear. We have now the following lemma. Given any continuous mapping (T, A) , there exists a sequence (T_n, F_n) ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) of quasi-linear mappings from figures F_n into E_3 such that $(T_n, F_n) \rightarrow (T, A)$ (L. CESARI [1; 5.6 (iv)]).

Remark. Since $(T_n, F_n) \rightarrow (T, A)$, we have $F_n \subset F_{n+1} \subset A$, $F_n^o \uparrow A^o$. Let there be given a compact subset K of A^o . Then $K \subset F_n^o$ for all n large.

(iv) Let (T, F) be a quasi-linear mapping, and let S be any finite subdivision of F into triangles t on each of which T is linear. The image under T of each $t \in S$ is a triangle (possibly degenerate) $\Delta \subset E_3$. If we denote by $|\Delta|$ the area of $\Delta \subset E_3$, then $a(T, F) = \sum_{t \in S} |\Delta|$, is termed *elementary area* of (T, F) (L. CESARI [1; 5.7]).

(v) Let (T, A) be a continuous mapping from an admissible set $A \subset E_2$ into E_3 . Denote by $\{\varphi\}$ the collection of all sequences $\varphi = [(T_n, F_n), (n = 1, 2, \dots)]$ of quasi-linear mappings from figures F_n such that $T_n \rightarrow T$ and set

$$L(T, A) = \text{g.l.b.} \liminf_{\varphi \in \{\varphi\}} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a(T_n, F_n).$$

$L(T, A)$ is called the *Lebesgue area* of (T, A) and $0 \leq L \leq +\infty$ (L. CESARI [1; 5.8]).

(vi) If (T, A) is a continuous mapping from an admissible set A into E_3 , and if A_n ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) is any sequence of admissible sets such that $A_n \subset A_{n+1} \subset A$, $A_n^o \uparrow A^o$, then $L(T, A_n) \rightarrow L(T, A)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ (L. CESARI [1; 5.14 (iv)]).

(vii) If (T, A) is a continuous mapping whose graph $T(A)$ is contained in a finite system of straight lines, then $L(T, A) = 0$ (L. CESARI [1; 5.9]).

(viii) If (T_n, A_n) ($n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) is a sequence of continuous mappings such that $T_n \rightarrow T_0$, then $L(T_0, A) \leq \liminf L(T_n, A_n)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ (L. CESARI [1; 5.10]).

(ix) If an admissible set A can be written as the union A_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots$) of disjoint admissible sets with the property that each interior point of A is interior to one A_i , then $L(T, A) = \sum L(T, A_i)$ (L. CESARI [1; 5.14 (ii)]).

(x) Let R_v be a finitely connected JORDAN region (order of connectivity is v), and let (T, R_v) be a continuous mapping from R_v into E_3 . Then $T: x = x(u, v), y = y(u, v), z = z(u, v), (u, v) \in R_v$. Consider the plane mappings $T_1: y = y(u, v), z = z(u, v); T_2: x = x(u, v), z = z(u, v); T_3: x = x(u, v), y = y(u, v); (u, v) \in R_v$. Assume that E is a closed subset of R_v such that $T_i(E)$ is of measure zero, $i = 1, 2, 3$. Let α be an open subset of R_v , and let $\{\delta\}$ be the collection of components of $\alpha - E$. Then as a special case of L. CESARI [1; 21.4 (i)] there follows

$$(1) \quad V(T, \alpha) = V(T, \alpha - E) = \sum V(T, \delta),$$

$$(2) \quad V(T_i, \alpha) = V(T_i, \alpha - E) = \sum V(T_i, \delta) \quad (i = 1, 2, 3),$$

where the above summations are carried over all $\delta \in \{\delta\}$. Here $V(T, \alpha)$ denotes the GEÖCZE area of (T, α) , and $V(T_i, \alpha)$ the GEÖCZE area of the plane mapping (T_i, α) (see [1; 9.1]). For later application we state a corollary.

Let E be a closed subset of R_v such that $R_v - E = \alpha \cup \beta$, i.e., α, β are non-empty disjoint open subsets of $R_v - E$ whose union is $R_v - E$. If $|T_i(E)| = 0$ ($i = 1, 2, 3$), then

$$(3) \quad V(T_i, R_v) = V(T_i, \alpha) + V(T_i, \beta) \quad (i = 1, 2, 3),$$

$$(4) \quad V(T, R_v) = V(T, \alpha) + V(T, \beta).$$

(xi) Let (T, A) be a continuous mapping from an admissible set A into E_3 . Then $V(T, A) = L(T, A)$ (L. CESARI [1; 24.1 (i)]).

II.3. - In this paragraph we shall briefly recall to the reader a cyclic additivity theorem due to E. J. MICKLE and T. RADÓ [2]. Let P be a PEANO space and let P^* be a metric space. Denote by \mathfrak{S} the class of all continuous mappings from P into P^* . The following definition, already stated in I, will be repeated here for the sake of convenience.

Definition: An *unrestricted factorization* of a mapping $T \in \mathfrak{S}$ consists of a PEANO space \mathfrak{M} , called *middle space*, and two continuous mappings s, f such that $f: P \rightarrow \mathfrak{M}, s: \mathfrak{M} \rightarrow P^*, T = sf$.

Definition: Two mappings T', T'' in \mathfrak{S} are termed a *partition* of a mapping $T \in \mathfrak{S}$ provided there are non-empty closed subsets E', E'' of P and a point $p_0^* \in P^*$ such that

$$(i) \quad E' \cup E'' = P,$$

$$(ii) \quad T'(x) = \begin{cases} T(x), & x \in E' \\ p_0^*, & x \in E'', \end{cases} \quad T''(x) = \begin{cases} T(x), & x \in E'' \\ p_0^*, & x \in E', \end{cases}$$

for every $x \in P$.

Let $\Phi(T)$ be a real-valued, non-negative functional defined for each $T \in \mathfrak{S}$ satisfying the following conditions [for certain $T \in \mathfrak{S}$, $\Phi(T)$ may be $+\infty$].

(α) $\Phi(T)$ is lower semi-continuous in the following sense. If $T_n \in \mathfrak{S}$ ($n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$) and $T_n \rightarrow T_0$ uniformly on P , then $\Phi(T_0) \leq \liminf \Phi(T_n)$ for $n \rightarrow \infty$.

(β) $\Phi(T)$ is additive under partition, i. e., if the mappings T', T'' constitute a partition of T , then $\Phi(T) = \Phi(T') + \Phi(T'')$.

(γ) If $T \in \mathfrak{S}$ admits of an unrestricted factorization whose middle space is a simple arc, then $\Phi(T) = 0$.

Remark: It should be noted that (γ) implies the statement: if $T \in \mathfrak{S}$ is constant, then $\Phi(T) = 0$. In [2] the following theorem is proved.

Theorem. Let $T = sf$, $f: P \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}$, $s: \mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C} \rightarrow P^*$ be an unrestricted factorization of a mapping $T \in \mathfrak{S}$. For C a proper cyclic element of $\mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}$, let r_C be the monotone retraction from $\mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}$ onto C . If a real-valued non-negative functional $\Phi(T)$ defined for each $T \in \mathfrak{S}$ satisfies the conditions (α), (β) and (γ), then

$$\Phi(T) = \sum \Phi(s r_C f), \quad C \subset \mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}.$$

II.4. - Let us restrict now the PEANO space P to be a finitely connected JORDAN region R_ν in E_3 , the order of connectivity being ν , and let us replace the metric space P^* by the Euclidean three space E_3 . If \mathfrak{S} denotes again the class of all continuous mappings T from R_ν into E_3 , then the LEBESGUE area $L(T, R_\nu)$ is a real-valued, non-negative functional of $T \in \mathfrak{S}$. The first objective will be to establish that $L(T, R_\nu)$ is cyclicly additive in the sense

of the Theorem in **II.3**. The reader should observe that in case $\nu = 0$, i.e., R_ν is a simply connected JORDAN region, this result follows from [2], since then R_ν is a unicoherent PEANO space. However, for $\nu > 0$, R_ν is no longer unicoherent.

II.5. — We proceed now to verify that $L(T, R_\nu)$ satisfies the conditions (α), (β) and (γ) of **II.3**.

The conditions (α) is a consequence of the lower semi-continuity of $L(T, R_\nu)$ (**II.2** (viii)).

II.6. — Lemma: $L(T, R_\nu)$ satisfies the condition (β) of **II.3**.

Proof. Let T', T'' be a partition of a mapping $T \in \mathfrak{C}$. Then we have two non-empty closed subsets E', E'' of R_ν and a point $p_0 \in E_3$ such that $E' \cup E'' = R_\nu$ and

$$T'(w) = \begin{cases} T(w), & w \in E' \\ p_0, & w \in E'', \end{cases} \quad T''(w) = \begin{cases} T(w), & w \in E'' \\ p_0, & w \in E'. \end{cases}$$

If we set $E = E' \cap E''$, then $E \neq 0$ and T is constant on E . The plane mappings T_i ($i = 1, 2, 3$) introduced in **II.2** (x) then satisfy $|T_i(E)| = 0$.

Case 1: $E' \subset E''$. Then T' is constant on R_ν and hence $L(T', R_\nu) = 0$, where as $T'' = T$ on R_ν . Therefore, $L(T, R_\nu) = L(T', R_\nu) + L(T'', R_\nu)$.

Case 2: $E'' - E' \neq 0$, $E' - E'' \neq 0$. Then $R_\nu - E = [E' - (E' \cap E'')] \cup [E'' - (E' \cap E'')] = [E' - E''] \cup [E'' - E']$, and $(E' - E'') \cap (E'' - E') = 0$. The sets $E' - E''$, $E'' - E'$ are open in R_ν and hence they are admissible sets. From **II.2** (x), (xi) we conclude that $L(T, R_\nu) = L(T, E' - E'') + L(T, E'' - E')$. We assert that $L(T, E' - E'') = L(T', R_\nu)$. Since T' is constant on the closed set E'' , the plane mappings T'_i ($i = 1, 2, 3$) satisfy $|T'_i(E'')| = 0$ ($i = 1, 2, 3$). Hence $L(T', R_\nu) = L(T', R_\nu - E'') = L(T', E' - E'') = L(T, E' - E'')$, since $T' = T$ on E' . Similarly, $L(T, E'' - E') = L(T'', R_\nu)$, and the proof of the Lemma is complete.

II.7. — Lemma: $L(T, R_\nu)$ satisfies the condition (γ) of **II.3**.

Proof. Assume that T admits of an unrestricted factorization $T = sf$. $f: R_\nu \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}$, $s: \mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C} \rightarrow E_3$ where $\mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}$ is a simple arc. Without loss of generality we may assume that $\mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}$ coincides with the unit interval $I: 0 \leq x \leq 1$,

For each n divide I into n sub-intervals by the points k/n ($k = 0, 1, \dots, n$). Define s_n as follows:

- (1) $s_n(k/n) = s(k/n)$ ($k = 0, 1, \dots, n$),
- (2) s_n is linear on each interval $[(k-1)/n, k/n]$ ($k = 1, \dots, n$).

In case $s(k/n) = s[(k-1)/n]$ for some k , let s_n be constant on $[(k-1)/n, k/n]$. Then s_n is continuous on I and, setting $T_n = s_n f$, we have that $T_n(R_\nu)$ is contained in a finite system of straight lines. Therefore, by II.2 (vii), $L(T_n, R_\nu) = 0$. Since $s_n \rightarrow s$ uniformly on I , we have also $T_n \rightarrow T$ uniformly on R_ν . Hence $L(T, R_\nu) \leq \liminf L(T_n, R_\nu) = 0$. This completes the proof.

II.8. - In view of II.5, II.6, II.7, we have the following theorem (see II.3).

Theorem. Let (T, R_ν) be a continuous mapping from a finitely connected Jordan region R_ν into E_3 . If $T = sf$, $f: R_\nu \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}$, $s: \mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C} \rightarrow E_3$ is an unrestricted factorization of T , and if r_C denotes the monotone retraction from $\mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}$ onto a proper cyclic element C of $\mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}$, then

$$L(T, R_\nu) = \sum L(sr_C f, R_\nu), \quad C \subset \mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}.$$

Remark. Let (T, R_ν) be a continuous mapping from R_ν into E_3 , and let $T = lm$, $m: R_\nu \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}$, $l: \mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C} \rightarrow E_3$ be a monotone-light factorization of T . If $\nu = 0$, i.e., if R_ν is a simply connected JORDAN region, then it follows from T. RADÓ [4; V.2.54] that $L(T, R_0) > 0$ if and only if $\mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}$ contains at least one proper cyclic element. A similar result for the case $\nu > 0$ is not true.

II.9. - Let \mathfrak{A}' be the class of admissible sets $A \subset E_2$ (see II.1) and let \mathfrak{S} be the collection of all finitely connected polygonal regions in E_2 . Let us denote by \mathfrak{A} the class of sets generated by \mathfrak{S} in the sense of I.1, i.e., a set A is a member of \mathfrak{A} if either of the following holds:

(i) A is a figure (II.1).

(ii) If A is not a figure, then there exists a sequence of figures $\{F_n\}$ such that for each n , $F_n \subset A^0$, and for any compact subset K of A^0 , there is an integer $\bar{n} = n(K)$ with the property that $K \subset F_n^0 \subset A^0$ for all $n \geq \bar{n}$.

In view of **II.2** (iii) we have the inclusion $\mathcal{A}' \subset \mathcal{A}$. In applying the results of **I**, the fact that there are sets in \mathcal{A} which are not admissible does not cause any difficulty (see **II.10**).

II.10. — Let \mathfrak{S} and \mathcal{A} be given as in **II.9**, and denote by $(\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{A})$ the class of all continuous mappings (T, A) from $A \in \mathcal{A}$ into E_3 . If $A \in \mathcal{A}$ is not admissible, then the non-empty set A^0 is admissible (**II.1**), and we define $L(T, A) = L(T, A^0)$. This definition obtains its justification from the fact that for every admissible set A , $L(T, A) = L(T, A^0)$ (see [**I**; 5.9 (ii)]).

The LEBESGUE area $L(T, A)$ satisfies the conditions of **I.3** which are listed below.

(α) $L(T, A)$ is real-valued and non-negative. For certain $(T, A) \in (\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{A})$, we may have $L(T, A) = +\infty$.

(β) For every $(T, A) \in (\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{A})$, where A is a finite union of disjoint finitely connected JORDAN regions R_1, \dots, R_n ,

$$L(T, A) = \sum_{i=1}^n L(T, R_i)$$

(see **II.2** (ix)).

(γ) For $(T, A) \in (\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{A})$, and $\{F_n\}$ any sequence of figures satisfying **II.9** (ii),

$$L(T, A) = \lim L(T, F_n), \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

(δ) For A', A'' two sets in \mathcal{A} for which $A'' \subset A'$ and for $(T, A') \in (\mathfrak{S}, \mathcal{A})$,

$$L(T, A'') \leq L(T, A').$$

(ϵ) Let R be a finitely connected JORDAN region, and let (T, R) be a continuous mapping from R into E_3 . If $(T, R) = sf$, $f: R \rightarrow \mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}$, $s: \mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C} \rightarrow E_3$ is an unrestricted factorization of (T, R) (**II.3**), then

$$L(T, R) = \sum L(sr_C f, R), \quad C \subset \mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C},$$

where r_C denotes the monotone retraction from $\mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}$ onto a proper cyclic element C of $\mathfrak{D}\mathfrak{C}$ (see **II.3**).

Proof. It is only necessary to establish (γ). Since $F_n \subset A^0$, there follows $L(T, F_n) \leq L(T, A)$, and hence:

$$(1) \quad \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(T, F_n) \leq L(T, A).$$

Next we observe that by **I.2** we have a subsequence $\{F_{n_i}\}$ satisfying the condition **II.9** (ii) and $F_{n_i} \subset F_{n_{i+1}}^0$ ($i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$). Then $F_{n_i}^0 \uparrow A^0$, and hence from **II.2** (vi):

$$(2) \quad L(T, A) = \lim L(T, F_{n_i}).$$

For a fixed i , there is by **II.9** (ii) an integer \bar{n}_i such that $F_{n_i} \subset F_n^0$ for all $n \geq \bar{n}_i$. Since $L(T, F_{n_i}) \leq L(T, F_n)$, $n \geq \bar{n}_i$, there follows $L(T, F_{n_i}) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(T, F_n)$. Since this relation is valid for every i , we obtain

$$(3) \quad \lim L(T, F_{n_i}) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(T, F_n).$$

(1), (2) and (3) yield the desired relation.

II.11 - Let $(\mathfrak{S}, \mathfrak{A})$ be given as in **II.10**. For the sake of completeness we state again the definition of an unrestricted factorization given in **I.9**.

Definition. An unrestricted factorization of a mapping $(T, A) \in (\mathfrak{S}, \mathfrak{A})$ consists of a PEANO space $\mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}$, a subset $\mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}^*$ of $\mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}$, and two continuous mappings s, f such that:

$$(1) \quad f: A \rightarrow \mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}^*,$$

$$(2) \quad s: \mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}^* \rightarrow E_3,$$

$$(3) \quad T = sf.$$

We shall write $(T, A) = sf$, $f: A \rightarrow \mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}^*$, $s: \mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}^* \rightarrow E_3$, $\mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}^* \subset \mathfrak{O}\mathfrak{C}$.

Remark. Apart from the Remarks 1, 2 of **I.9**, the following additional observation should be made. Every $(T, A) \in (\mathfrak{S}, \mathfrak{A})$ admits of a *trivial* unrestricted factorization of the following form. Let us denote by \bar{E}_2 the compact Euclidean plane E_2 , i.e., the one-point compactification of E_2

by adjoining ∞ to E_2 . Thus \overline{E}_2 is a homeomorphic image of the unit sphere, and \overline{E}_2 is a PEANO space. If we denote by i the identity mapping, then $(T, A) = Ti$, $i: A \Rightarrow A$, $T: A \rightarrow E_3$, $A \subset \overline{E}_1$.

II.12. - Let $(T, A) \in (\mathfrak{C}, \mathfrak{A})$, and let $(T, A) = sf$, $f: A \rightarrow \mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{C}^*$, $s: \mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{C}^* \rightarrow E_3$, $\mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{C}^* \subset \mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{C}$ be an unrestricted factorization of (T, A) . As in **I.12**, let \mathfrak{K} be the class of proper cyclic elements associated with $(T, A) = sf$, and let G_C be the set associated with $C \in \mathfrak{K}$, i.e., G_C is the union of all components G of A satisfying $r_C f(G) \subset \mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{C}^*$, and \mathfrak{K} is the class of proper cyclic elements C of $\mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{C}$ for which there is at least one such component G of A .

In view of **I.15** and **II.10**, we can state our main result:

Theorem. *Let (T, A) be a continuous mapping from a set $A \in \mathfrak{A}$ into E_3 (see **II.9**). Let $(T, A) = sf$, $f: A \rightarrow \mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{C}^*$, $s: \mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{C}^* \rightarrow E_3$, $\mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{C}^* \subset \mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{C}$, be an unrestricted factorization of (T, A) . If for C a proper cyclic element of $\mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{C}$, we denote by r_C the monotone retraction from $\mathfrak{N}\mathfrak{C}$ onto C , then we have the following cyclic additivity formula*

$$L(T, A) = \sum L(s r_C f, G_C), \quad C \in \mathfrak{K},$$

where \mathfrak{K} is the class of proper cyclic elements associated with $(T, A) = sf$, and where G_C is the set associated with $C \in \mathfrak{K}$.

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